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Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" With reference to clause (i) of the answer to (b) and (c), may I know whether it applies to those who are in Madras ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" May I know whether the Government propose to revise the pay of those who work in Madras ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" No, Sir."

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" Why, Sir ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" There is no special reason, Sir."

Police

Expenditure for maintaining peace in the Madras City on 26th February 1928.

* 1704 Q.—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state the expenditure specially incurred by the Government of Madras on 26th February 1928 for maintaining peace in the Madras City, and for other arrangements to counteract the intended hartal on the arrival of the Simon Commission ?

A.—The Government have no information ; they have called for it.

Civil Justice

Increased pay for process-servers and amins.

* 1705 Q.—MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) what the Government have decided in the matter of increasing the pay of process-servers and amins ;

(b) whether they have received a memorial from the process-servers of the Sub-Judge's Court, Ootacamund ;

(c) what order has been passed upon that memorial ; and

(d) whether Government will take any steps and, if so, what steps to see that the order passed by the High Court in D. Dis. No. 183 of 1927, dated 26th February 1927, barring the promotion of a process-server to the grade of an amin is cancelled ?

A.—(a) & (c) The Government have not yet arrived at a final decision in the matter.

(b) Yes.

(d) Under the Madras Civil Courts Act, sections 22 and 23, the Government have no power to interfere in the matter.